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In re Application of	:	
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Application No.: 10/089,901	:	
PCT No.: PCT/GR00/00018	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Int. Filing Date: 21 April 2000	:	
Priority Date: 22 April 1999	:	
Attorney Docket No.: None	:	
For: FLEXIBLE DRINKING STRAW	:	

This is in response to the "Petition to Revive the Above Application" filed 09 April 2002 and to communications filed by facsimile on 14 December 2001, 27 March and 01 April 2002 in the above-captioned application.

BACKGROUND

On 21 April 2000, applicant filed international application PCT/GR00/00018, which claimed priority of an earlier Greek application filed 22 April 1999. A copy of the international application was communicated to the United States Patent and Trademark Office from the International Bureau on 02 November 2000. A Demand for international preliminary examination, in which the United States was elected, was filed prior to the expiration of nineteen months from the priority date. Accordingly, the thirty-month period for paying the basic national fee to enter the national stage in the United States expired at midnight on 22 October 2001.

On 15 October 2001, applicant filed a Transmittal Letter for entry into the national stage in the United States under 35 U.S.C. 371. The requisite basic national fee under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1) was submitted earlier by wire transfer on 25 September 2001.

Having not received any communication from the USPTO, on 09 April 2002, applicant filed the present petition to revive the application under 37 CFR 1.137(b) after several attempts to inquire about the status of his national stage application papers. Filed

with the petition was copies of the application papers filed 15 October 2001 and an executed declaration of the inventor in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497.

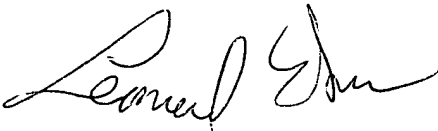
DISCUSSION

A review of the USPTO Revenue Accounting and Management database indicates that a total amount of \$500.00 was credited to the account of international application PCT/GR00/00018 on 25 September 2001. Since the basic national fee for the US national phase application of PCT/GR00/00018 was paid prior to the 30 month deadline mentioned in 37 CFR 1.495(b)(2) and since the international application has been transmitted to the DO/EO/US by the International Bureau, the petition to revive the international application filed 09 April 2002 is not necessary.

DECISION

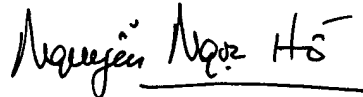
In view of the discussion mentioned above, the Petition to Revive the present application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) is **DISMISSED** as moot.

The application is returned to the DO/EO/US for further processing.



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